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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Box AF
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This response and amendment is filed in response to the final Office Action mailed January 13, 2003, issued in association with the above-captioned application. Claims 1-9 are currently pending in the application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 2, and 8 as follows, without prejudice: